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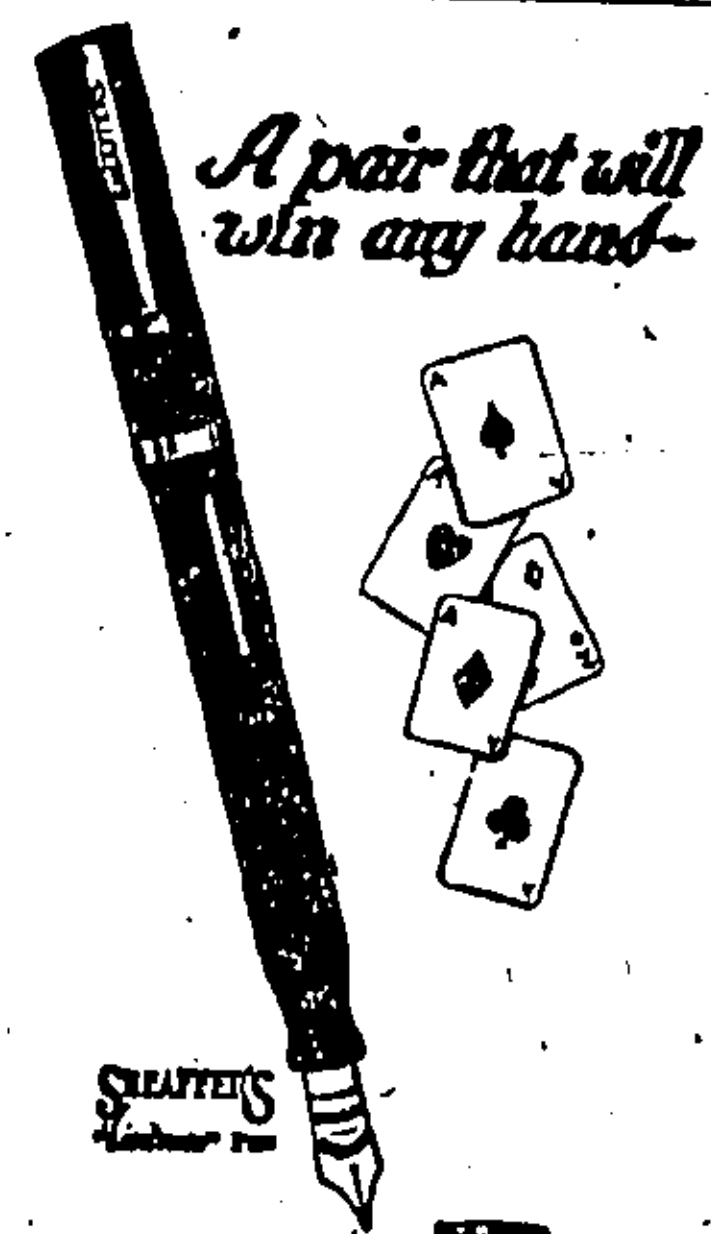
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Nanking, Tuesday.
That Americans who are versed with the situation in China have no confidence in the report recently submitted by the American Red Cross Commission on the famine conditions in China, is indicated by a letter addressed to Dr. C. T. Wang, the Foreign Minister, by Mr. Walter F. Hayward of Albany, N.Y. Enclosed in his letter, Mr. Hayward sent a cheque as his contribution towards the Famine Relief Fund, stating that he preferred to send directly instead of contributing through the Federal Council of Churches of America. The text of Mr. Hayward's letter reads as follows:—

"The recent decision of the American Red Cross not to help those suffering from famine in China moves me to address you. I kept a 'Shame' Day when I heard of it, and my protest is a small cheque herewith. I do not care to contribute through the Federal Council of Churches.

What China Needs
"May be the newspaper reports are overdone, but certainly young China needs all the sympathy and help that anyone can express. 'The woes that afflict your country, which afforded me so much hospitality and understanding when I was privileged to work in your midst in the Wuhan Area and at Ichang, disturb me greatly. I pray that before more chaos sets in, China may see her true destiny and follow it as a united people, and preserve to all the families of the earth, those sound traditions which would enrich us all."
(Signed) Walter F. Hayward."
—Canton News Agency.

CUBAN MINISTER

Lays Wreath On Dr.
Sun's Mausoleum

Nanking, Yesterday.
The New Cuban Minister was the guest of honour at a dinner given by the Foreign Minister last night. Ministers Sun Fo, Chiang Mon-lin and Wei Tao-min were present. The Cuban Minister laid a wreath on Dr. Sun's mausoleum at 10.30, this morning, accompanied by representatives of the National Government and Waichiao-pu. He will leave for Shanghai on Dec. 18.

Minister to China
The new Chinese Minister to Cuba, Dr. Lin Pin, left with Vice-Consul Mei and under attaché Wang last night for Shanghai, and will sail for his post on Dec. 20 on the "President Lincoln." Minister Wang's daughter is leaving on the same boat for the States.—Canton News Agency.

JAIL FOR ROBBERS

Last Case At Criminal
Sessions

The last case before the Criminal Sessions for this month was concluded yesterday before his Honour the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice J. R. Wood) and a jury, when sentence of two years' hard labour was passed upon Ip To-tak for committing a robbery at No. 60, Jardine's Bazaar on the morning of November 8.

Another man, Lo Jauk, who was a sub-tenant in the house and who was indicted on a complicity charge, in that he had opened the door of the house to the robbers, was sentenced to one year's hard labour. In his case, the jury recommended the prisoner for mercy and in sentencing him to one year's jail, his Honour said that he had taken the jury's recommendation into consideration.

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WAR ON KWANGSI
TROOPSCANTON'S PLAN OF
CAMPAIGN

PRISONERS AND ARMS

Canton, Dec. 18.
After the decisive battles with the Ironsides on the North and East River, the northern troops under the command of General Chu Shao-liang have been ordered to drive the Ironsides remnants out of Kwangtung.

General Chan Chai-tong, accompanied by General Chiang Kwong-wei, Mr. Wong Yum-wan, the chief of Staff, and the other staff members attached to the C.I.C. H.Q., left Canton on December 16 for the West River front, personally to direct operations against the Kwangsi insurgents. The two divisions under Generals Choi and Chiang have been ordered to push up along the West River and those under General Yu Hon-mou and Heung, Hong-ping to attack the enemy who are scattered round Szeui and Kwongling.

General Chan Chai-tong and Admiral Chan Chak proceeded from Samahui on December 17 to Shui-hing. To facilitate the direction of the armies, the advance H.Q. of the 8th Army Route is being removed to Shui-hing to-day.

Magistrates Flee
The magistrates appointed by the Kwangsi rebels in the various districts on the West River had fled, while the Government magistrates are duly instructed to resume their duties instantly.

A regiment of Kwangsi Insurgents was surrounded and disarmed on December 15, at Kingkow, within the jurisdiction of Szeui, by General Heung of the 62nd Division. The prisoners and rifles numbering 1,000 were sent to the Canton H.Q. for disposal. The Szeui city was recaptured yesterday by General Heung who put to rout the entire division under General Hsu Chung-wu of the Kwangsi clique, according to a military report.

Severe Engagement
General Choi Ting-kai of the 60th Division captured on December 16 at Kwongli 3 cannon, 4 machine-guns and several hundred rifles from the enemy after a severe engagement, which lasted for one hour.

The troops under the Kwangsi General Liang Chao-chi retreated from Kwangling to Wai-tsap via Ngau-tai, while the Kwangsi troops on the West River have evacuated Tai-tong, Shek-kok, Lu-pau, Kwong-li and Hau-lik and appear to move back to Wuchow.

Present Position
The Canton gunboats reached Takling last night, and the air forces will fly to the front to bomb the enemy to-day.

The 3rd and 8th Divisions under General Shu Shao-liang are now stationed at Pa-kong.

The present military prospects, according to official circles, point to the expulsion of the enemy from Kwangtung within the week.—Canton News Agency.

LOYAL TO NANKING

Troops Under Shih
Yu-san

Shanghai, Yesterday.
At the Weekly Memorial Service on December 16, General Chan Tiao-yuan made the following statement:

1. The troops under General Shih Yu-san are willing to abide by the instructions of the Central Government to be dealt with accordingly.

2. The communications with Nanking on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway will very soon be re-opened. The passenger traffic between Pong-pu and Tai-nan was resumed on December 15.

3. The forces of the 8th and 10th Divisions under the direct control of Shantung Province, numbering over 30,000 strong, fully equipped, are loyal to the Central Government to the end and are maintaining the peace and order of that province.—Canton News Agency.

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And that is why Hong Kong is the logical place whence to ascertain what one should know. Discussion in the Commons has been about the "Hatching" piracy (and the gallant defence of officers of the Mercantile Marine) and also about the necessity of protection for British exiles from possible danger during recurrence of the Chinese civil war.

You will be doing a little towards making everybody at Home aware of developments out here. It is known that recipients of news items have passed the same along to their respective M.P.'s, thereby furnishing the substance of questions to Ministers. Who knows but that your folks on getting hold of reliable information may communicate with the "Local" Member? And, by sending the matter, you may be the direct cause of some useful queries.

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Our grandfathers remember the sensation caused by the trial of the mutineers at the Old Bailey in February, 1864. London talked of nothing else, and the court was crowded with society people anxious to feast their eyes on the bloodthirsty wretches responsible for so many atrocities.

There was no Englishman among the "Flower of Land" pirates. The crew were a mixed lot of Chinese, half-breeds from Manila, a Turk, a Greek and others of various nations. It is said that John Smith, the captain, one of the first victims, was a brute and a bully, and that the food was bad; but one of the chief causes of the mutiny was the idea among the crew (totally unfounded) that there was a vast treasure hidden in the captain's cabin.

Doomed Smith had his misgivings before the voyage began. "I can trust the ship," he told his brother who was sailing as a passenger, "but such a crew as they have given me will want watching night and day. The mutineers, eight of them, stabbed and beat to death the captain, his brother, and the first mate, and killed Karwell. The attack was made at three o'clock one fine night, when there was a quiet sea and a fair breeze. For various reasons the murderers spared the loyal minority, including Taffir, the second mate, whose expert knowledge they needed in order that the ship might be navigated. They also refrained from killing "Little Jimmy" Early, the ship's boy, whose evidence at the Old Bailey subsequently made him the hero of the day.

The others never knew from one moment to another when they might share the fate of the captain and the first mate. For three weeks the ghastly voyage continued—three weeks of perpetual terror for the honest men—till the coast of Brazil was sighted. It would take too long to tell how the mutineers then planned to scuttle the ship and leave the honest men to drown, and how the latter escaped, and subsequently laid information with the Brazilian authorities, whereby the murderers were arrested and extradited to England.

"On the scaffold they showed themselves cowardly as well as murderers," says the author. "Those were the days when the public were permitted to view a hanging, and when the first of the prisoners—Durand—stepped on the platform he was greeted with such a howl of execration from the mob that he fell back half-fainting. A newspaper of the day assures us, however, that the hangman—one Calcraft—carried out the execution through without a hitch."

The story of the man who actually survived walking the plank is full of horrors. He (called throughout the narrative "Mr. S.") was aboard a ship which also carried a large number of Chinese convicts going to fulfil their several sentences at different depots. You will expect to hear that the convicts rose and overpowered their guards—which they did. The narrative goes on: Mr. S. quickly returned to his cabin and was groping for his arms when the captain rushed in, fired his pistol through the skylight, and crying out that the Chinese were masters of the ship, dashed up the steps, threw himself overboard, and was drowned. A few moments of suspense followed, when a party of convicts came below, and without molesting Mr. S., ordered her husband on deck. Compelled to obey, he found the deck deluged with blood and the vicious convicts compelling the survivors of the British crew and Sepoys to "walk the plank." Present-

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COLLISION IN FOG

New York, Yesterday. The Furness liner "Fort Victoria," 7,784 tons, with 260 passengers sank after a collision outside New York harbour with the Clyde liner "Algonquin," which was carrying 180 passengers.

The collision happened in a fog. All aboard the "Fort Victoria" were safely transferred to a pilot boat after the accident.

New York, Yesterday. "Women and children first" was the order given quietly and implicitly obeyed aboard the "Fort Victoria," after the sharp bows of the "Algonquin" deeply gashed her port side, and it became evident that all aboard must leave as quickly as possible, if a great loss of life was to be prevented. The papers here pay tribute to the coolness of Captain Francis for his discipline with the crew of the ship, in an accident which might easily have had consequences comparable with those following the sinking of the British steamer "Vestris" a year ago.

The collision occurred when the "Fort Victoria" slowed up to drop her harbour pilot. The "Algonquin," which was following behind, had not time to do so, as she is a coastal ship. When the "Algonquin" loomed out of a dense fog it was too late to avoid a crash. The "Fort Victoria's" S.O.S. signals brought many rescue craft, to which her passengers were transferred. Captain Francis and a dozen men remained aboard vainly hoping to have the crippled ship towed to the pier, until the water was knee-deep on the deck. They then jumped overboard and swam to the nearby tug "Cape Francis" was the last man to leave the ship.—Reuter's American Service.

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No. 6 Buoy: "Cornwall."
No. 7 Buoy: "Iroquois."
No. 12 Buoy: "Sirdar."
The only foreign man-of-war in harbour was:—
Chinese despatch vessel "Lien Ching."

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMER

The P. & O. s.s. "Mirzapore" left Singapore for port on December 19 at 7 a.m. and is due here on December 27 at about 6 a.m.

ly it came to Mr. S's turn. Instead, however, of falling at once into the sea, he, with great muscular efforts, clung to the plank and refused his fate. In vain the murderers tried to prod him with pikes. He dodged their points successfully, until, at length a Chinese, creeping forward, aimed a blow at him with a sabre. In avoiding the stroke Mr. S. lost his hold and fell into the sea. The intended victim floated until he managed to scramble into the ship's boat, which was towing astern, and the murderers were so taken aback by his seemingly miraculous escape that they allowed him to go to his cabin and did not molest him for the remainder of his time aboard. In fact, one of the bloodthirsty wretches came every day to the cabin to ask him what he would like for dinner! He was better off than the unfortunate mate, who was dragged from the rigging, hamstrung, and left to bleed to death. One of the most extraordinary and gruesome stories in this collection is that telling how a couple of Indian coolies made themselves masters of the "Frank N. Thayer," an American vessel of 1,600 tons burden, sailing from Manila to New York. The great advantage they had in the fact that the whole of the ship's company were taken completely by surprise. Everything was peaceful, the night calm and starlit, and the ship bowing along before a breeze when the two Indians suddenly whipped out knives and fell on their unarmed officers—the first and second mates. Having killed them and attacked and severely wounded the captain, they slew the man at the wheel, the carpenter, and a white seaman. Twelve men were roused in the fore-cabin, and though they sallied forth to investigate when they were aroused by the struggle on deck, the mutineers drove them in panic back to the fore-cabin, where they barricaded them in. Eventually the mutineers, after the loyal crew had smashed their way out with an axe, which had been smuggled in to them by the Chinese cook, jumped overboard. First, however, they had set fire to the ship, and the captain and the remainder of the ship's company were compelled to take to the boats. "The amazing fact re-

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TRADE OF PORT OF LONDON

THE GROWTH OF NEW INDUSTRIES

A GREAT FUTURE

"The trade of the Port of London is greater to-day than it has ever been in its 2,000 years' history, and the zenith has not yet been reached," said Mr. J. H. Estill, lecturing to the Incorporated Secretaries' Association. Mr. Estill is the commercial manager of the port, and he drew a very attractive picture, with lantern slides, of the future of this great trading and financial centre. Mr. Patrick Howling was in the chair.

Mr. Estill, in the course of a copious history of the Port of London, said:—
The physical advantage of the port is its broad and deep river, enabling vessels of the largest class to enter its docks with facility. Over 33 million tons of goods pass through annually, 20 million tons being overseas produce. The important position which the port occupies in relation to overseas trade may be gauged from the fact that in 1928 the imports and exports, excluding coal, amounted to nearly £700,000,000, exceeding those of Liverpool, the next most important port, by over £200,000,000, and being more than twice the combined overseas trade of Hull, Manchester and Southampton. Nearly one-third of the total overseas trade of the United Kingdom is dealt with in London.

New Interests
Within the last few years there has been a decided tendency for additional industries, such as motor car manufacturing, engineering, paper-making and cement manufacturing, to be established in or near London, and for important businesses to be centralised there, due largely to the development of electricity and to the shipping, trading and other facilities in which London is pre-eminent.

The shipping entering the port has increased 40m 650,000 tons in 1929 to the huge figure of nearly 59½ million net register tons in 1928. This figure is over 17 million net register tons more than in the first year the authority took office, and constitutes a record in the history of the port. A comparison with the shipping figures for the ports shows that London exceeded Liverpool, the next leading port, by 9,000,000 net register tons in 1928, and over 22,740,000 net register tons in 1929. These shipping and trade figures prove that the port authority's bold policy of extensions and improvements has been amply justified.

Over 60 per cent. of the shipping entering the port discharges in the docks, the remainder being dealt with at wharves, at manufacturers' premises or at meetings in the river. A large tonnage of goods not intended for immediate consumption goes into the authority's warehouse on the dock quays. This warehousing business is of great importance, as it does, every class of merchandise entering the port. The principal commodities are grain, timber, wines and spirits, wool, frozen meat, sugar, tea and tobacco. Over two million tons of imported goods yearly are passed over the authority's quays, while the present stock of goods stored is about 500,000 tons, a striking figure when it is remembered that the modern tendency is for goods to go directly into consumption. The stocks held have been as much as 1,000,000 tons. The authority also carry on a large business in the conveyance and shipment of export goods, the quantity passed over the quays annually being about 700,000 tons.

PASSENGERS LIST

ARRIVALS

Per s.s. "Aki Maru" from Australia on December 19:—
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DECEMBER.

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DECEMBER.

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C.P.R. liner "Empress of Japan" which is now under construction at Fairfield, it was decided last year to install new Parsons single-reduction geared turbines, along with Weir regenerative condensers, and to supplement the existing turbine-driven generating sets with oil engine driven generators, which work was recently completed. At the same time the boilers were fitted with smoke tube superheaters and stage feed heating was added. The designed output of the new machinery is about 26,000 S.H.P. at 120 r.p.m. in continuous service, with a maximum overload rating of 28,000 S.H.P. if required. New propellers have also been fitted, and the reconditioned liner will now, as before, be the fastest in the Company's North Pacific service.

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KHIVA	9,135	18th Jan.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
MIRZAPORE	6,715	22nd Jan.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
JEYPORE	5,318	25th Jan.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
MANTUA	10,946	1st Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.

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TAKADA	6,940	10th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
TAKALA	10,000	28th Jan.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
SHIRALA	7,841	6th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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		Noon	
TAKADA	6,940	27th Dec.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*MIRZAPORE	6,715	28th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
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MANTUA	10,946	8rd Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yama.
NELLORE	6,853	7th Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yama.
	10,000	7th Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*KIDDERPORE	5,334	10th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
KARMALA	9,128	17th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yama.
TAKIWA	7,933	28th Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.

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"Rampura" passed Perim, 20th. Thus runs the bald statement of the progress of the liner's voyage. Few people, as they glance through the shipping news, think of the vast organization necessary to keep track of all the ships on the high seas; still less do they visualize the lives of some of the smaller links in this organization—the men who keep their fingers on the pulses of the world's shipping. Perim, for instance, is a small island in the narrow straits of the Red Sea. It is the southern end of the Red Sea. It was occupied in 1857, and is a not unimportant coaling station. Commercially, however, its chief importance lies in its geographical position. Every ship passing in or out of the Red Sea must pass close to it—close enough for signals to be exchanged. It is the first "checking post" on the movement of an east-bound liner after she has passed out of the Suez Canal, some thirteen hundred miles further north. Ships of all sorts and nationalities are continually using the signal station at Perim.

The P. & O. Liners

There are the great buff and black Peninsular and Orient liners, the fast Blue Funnel freighters, the clumsy-looking oil tankers from the ports of the Persian Gulf, and the tiny little ships packed with Moslem pilgrims for Mecca and Medina. At the fore mast-head or triatic stay of each ship there is a flutter of coloured bunting. It is answered by the station, and the position of the ship is straightway made known to her owners. These signal stations have not by any means lost their importance through the almost universal introduction of wireless telegraphy. Bad weather and any unusual conditions in the vastness of the Indian Ocean or the Red Sea are reported to the station, so that other ships may be warned.

Slavery and Gun Running
Warships also pass frequently: the sloops which patrol the Red Sea and Persian Gulf to prevent slaving and gun-running, and sometimes a cruiser with reliefs for ships on the far-away China Station. To these ships who proudly fly the White Ensign, the station dips her "Red Duster" in token of respect, and passes a signal of "Bon voyage." The men at the signal station live a terribly monotonous life. Perim is small and very hot, and is frequently swept by dust storms from the mainland. As they live together in peace and harmony in their little "mess." They have, in fact, adapted themselves to the prevailing conditions in the way that only Britons can. It is upon this adaptability of the race that the British Empire has been built up.

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Southampton.—The October statistics in respect of the working of Southampton Docks have been issued by the Southern Railway Company, together with comparative returns for October, 1928. They show some decrease in the tonnage, but on the whole, they are eminently satisfactory. The number of vessels inward fell from 299 to 292, and outward from 295 to 284, a decline of 7 vessels inward and 11 outward; but the gross and net tonnage figures both showed a substantial increase. The gross tonnage inward rose from 1,420,823 tons to 1,695,879 tons, and outward from 1,321,161 tons to 1,603,918 tons. The advance was, therefore, 165,786 tons inward and 183,757 tons outward. The net tonnage totals were equally gratifying. The gross tonnage inward heading being 84,141 tons inward and 101,491 tons outward, the respective tonnage, as compared with 753,767 tons; aggregate being inward, 847,008 tons and outward, 796,315 tons, as against 694,824 tons.

Inward cargo dropped by 11,506 tons, the totals being 64,028 for October, 1928, as compared with 52,522 tons recently; but outward there was an increase of 5,385 tons, the figures being 51,879 for this October, as against 51,485 tons in the corresponding month last year. The passenger traffic still revealed a balance, the increase inward being 525 and outward 1,568. Altogether 12,384 travellers passed through the port inward, as compared with 12,209 outward, whilst outward the departures numbered 18,568, against 17,203. The troop movements were less heavy this October than last, for there were no inward arrivals and merely one departure. In consequence of this the deficit inward was 1,635 and outward 1,141, as only 1,549 sailed, as compared with 2,690 in October, 1928. The troop figures, however, show very little as far as the trade of the port is concerned, for the movements do not necessarily take place at precisely the same time in different years. The deficit for October will, therefore, more than likely be made good during the current month.

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Tian via S'ow & S'hai	WAISHING	Wed, 25th Dec. at 7 a.m.
Tian via S'ow & S'hai	HANGSANG	Sun, 29th Dec. at 7 a.m.
Tian via S'ow & S'hai	YATSHING	Wed, 1st Jan. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji	KUMRANG	Wed, 1st Jan. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji	HOSANG	Sun, 19th Jan. at 7 a.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	NAMSANG	Fri, 20th Feb. at 5 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	KUTSANG	Sat, 28th Dec. at 8 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	SUTSANG	Mon, 6th Jan. at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	MAUSANG	Fri, 17th Jan. at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	HINSANG	Sat, 28th Dec. at 3 p.m.
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Tientsin via Fochow	CHIPSHING	Sun, 12th Jan. at 7 a.m.

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HONG KONG TIDE

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations taken at the Kowloon tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Dobrook during the years 1887, 1888 and 1889.

The times and heights are given for Kowloon; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval Yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small.
The times of high and low-water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

December 20 to 26, 1929.				
Dec.	Standard Time	High Water	Low Water	Standard Time
DATE	Time	Ht. Standard	Ht. Standard	DATE
Fri. 20	3:53 a	4.5 m	6.48 a	0.0
	11:54 a	7.9	5.15 p	3.8
Sat. 21	3:14 a	4.4 m	7.45 a	1.2
	11:09 a	5.2	6.23 p	4.1
Sun. 22	0:09 a	7.5	8.43 a	1.4
	4:04 a	4.6	7.16 p	4.3
Mon. 23	0:26 a	6.0 m	8.40 a	1.6
	4:50 a	4.8	8.10 p	4.1
Tues. 24	0:41 a	6.8 m	10.34 a	2.3
	5:28 a	5.4	11.21 a	3.8
Wed. 25	0:52 a	6.3 m	11.21 a	2.7
	6:09 a	6.8		
Thurs. 26	0:34 a	4.9 m	0.46 a	3.1
	6:01 a	6.3	11.57 a	3.0

YACHT BUILDING

The Launch Of A
"Dream Ship"

Jarrow.—The motor yacht "Alice," built for Sir Richard Astor, Bart., of Bexmoor, Hertfordshire, was launched from Messrs. Swan, Hunter and Wigham Richardson and Company's shipyard, and was described as being the finest designed and best constructed yacht ever turned in this country, and probably in the world.

Lady Cooper, after whom the vessel is named, was unfortunately unable to be present to christen the vessel owing to illness, but sent a telegram in which she thanked everyone down to the workmen in making her dream ship once true.

In her absence the vessel was named by Mrs. Foot, of Berkhamsstead, a sister of Sir Richard Cooper. Replying to the toast of the "Alice" and her owner, proposed by Mr. T. E. Thirlaway, chairman of the builders, Sir Richard Cooper explained why he had accepted the designs of Messrs. Cox and Stevens, New York, for the yacht, but added that he would not think for a moment of leaving the vessel built out of England. He was grateful to the builders of such a beautiful ship, and expressed the hope that when the rich Americans saw her they would be induced to build their luxury yachts in this country, where there was the finest construction and the cheapest. It would also help us to get rid of the spectre of unemployment and heavy taxation.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hong Kong, 14th December, 1929.

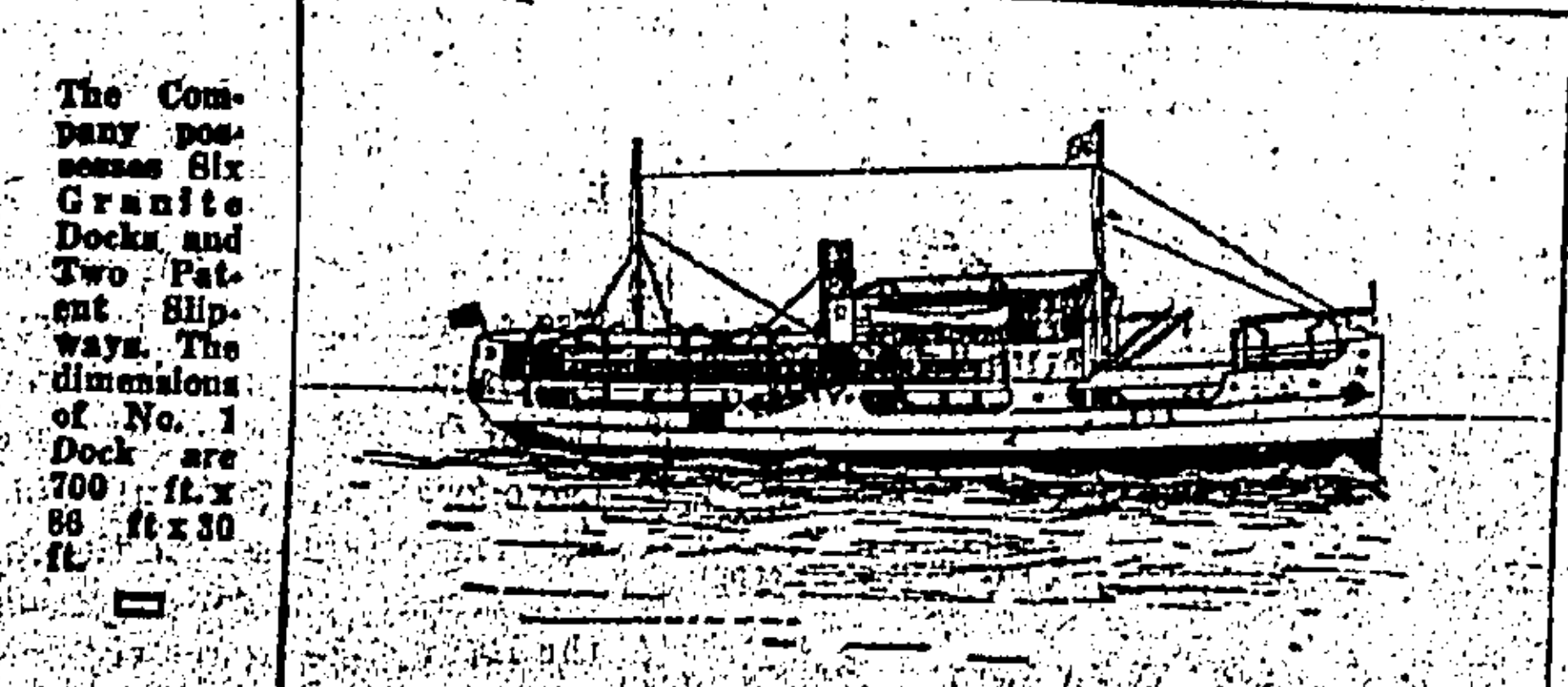
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The body of a Chinese who, while working on H.M.S. "Kent" last week, fell overboard and was drowned, was recovered by the Police floating in the harbour near the Canton Wharf yesterday.

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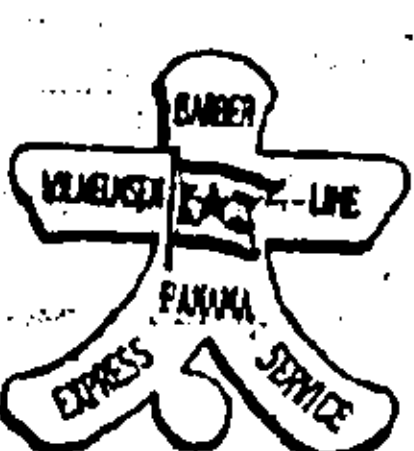
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CLOUDS OF WARNING

The Government has made a determined stand in its effort to push through the Coal Mines Bill, but it has been in the nature of a struggle, and there still remains the possibility of a setback before it is finally adopted. It is a measure unprecedented in the annals of Parliamentary history, being an act of force majeure which none but a very young and convinced Party would attempt. In the first place, it has had neither the approval of the miners themselves, nor the consent of the coal owners. It is a policy not far removed from the spirit of dictatorship, and some independent thinkers may feel that it is somewhat too soon for the Government to test its courage by tempting disaster with an unpopular measure of such vital import.

If the Government is not careless of the length of its regime in the House, it should take notice of the character and trend of the opposition. Not only did the Government defeat the Conservative amendment for rejection of the Bill by the extremely narrow margin of eight votes only; among the parties voting against it were a not inconsiderable sprinkling of Liberals. Mr. Lloyd George, who is known to favour the present Government in certain of its reforms, was definitely antagonistic to the Bill, which he strongly referred to as "incredible, bad, and full of vicious provisions." He declared that the Bill contained the worst features of Socialism and individualism.

without the redeeming features of either. The two provisions of the Bill of which he approved were those relating to the reduction of hours and the establishment of a National Wages Board. Nine-tenths of the Bill was a fixation of prices and a limitation of output.

Mr. Lloyd George, however, in spite of his criticism, made a useful contribution to the coal problem when he said that there were two ways of meeting the deficit on the working of the mines. One was the crude method of putting up the prices, which the Government had chosen. The other was the method of re-organising the industry so as to save in production and distribution, which would benefit miners and mine owners, and the country as a whole. The system of compulsory grouping seemed to be the only remedy.

Whatever may be the outcome of the resentment against the Bill, the Government should take warning from the results of the voting on the Conservative amendment. For some inexplicable reason, hardly to be explained away by mere indifference, the Conservative members have absented themselves from the House of late, at times when their presence and support would have made vital differences. Had every Conservative member been present in the House last night, it is likely that the Government would have been faced by a division. It is a matter which should be strenuously taken up by the electors, who would be advised to remember, when next they visit the poll, these occasions on which their Members have failed to uphold the principles which were so effusively proclaimed during the election campaign. It seems to us in far-away Hong Kong a very great pity that the Old Country should be allowed to fall to pieces under a pernicious Socialist regime through the laziness or lack of interest of its so-called Nationalist representatives in Parliament.

NEWS IN BRIEF

It has been agreed that before the Hague Conference reassembles on January 6 there shall be a meeting on January 2, at 2.30 p.m. The attendance yesterday comprised:—

The Fascist grand Council has approved the constitution of the Fascist Party and has passed a resolution forbidding all who are unable wholly and unreservedly to conform to the strict discipline of the party to resign within a week.

Yesterday one case of typhoid fever, four of small-pox, and one of diphtheria were notified.

A very artistic calendar for 1930 has been received by the "China Mail" from the Liberty Silk Store.

Washington, Yesterday.—Kansas City Federal Reserve Bank has lowered the discount rate to 4½ per cent.—Reuter's American Service.

The Staff and students of the Munsang College have organised a Christmas Concert to be given at the New Kowloon Theatre, Kowloon City, at 2 p.m. on Monday.

Senator Swanson of Virginia has introduced a Bill in the Senate with the object of promoting Commander Byrd to the rank of Rear-Admiral, in recognition of his explorations in the Antarctic.

Signalman W. G. Perry, of Whitefield Barracks, reported to the Police yesterday that whilst riding a motor cycle along Nathan Road he knocked down and slightly injured a Chinese.

Failing to stop his bus as near as possible to the left hand-side of the road for passengers to alight, a Chinese driver, employed by the China Motor Bus Co., was fined \$3, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

The distribution of the prizes by Mrs. M. B. Osman at the second annual exhibition of the University Photographic Club will take place at 5 p.m. on Monday in the Union Assembly Room at the University. All those who have participated in the exhibition are particularly invited to attend.

Partly heard by Mr. W. Schofield a case of alleged armed robbery was re-started by Mr. T. S. White-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. The accused were four Chinese and their victim was an aged cattle dealer living at Matakok. After the facts of the case had again been outlined by Detective Inspector Fallon, an adjournment was made until this afternoon.

Yesterday Mr. E. W. Hamilton was to have resumed the hearing in extradition proceedings in which the surrender of a Chinese named Au Ying is sought by the Canton authorities, but the case was held up on account of the absence from the Court of two women, who are the principal witnesses. The allegations against Au Ying were murder and armed robbery two years ago in Namhol district.

When arrested for the unlawful possession of a pair of shoes, a Chinese gave two different stories at the Mongkok Police Station. At the Kowloon Magistracy to-day he corroborated one of his stories that a friend gave him the shoes in repayment of work done for him. The Magistrate said that as the shoes were a Chinese pair he would have to give the defendant the benefit of the doubt and discharge him.

A dance given by the Royal Air Force, including the Kai Tak aerodrome personnel and members of the Fleet Air Arm, was held in the Peninsula Hotel last night. It was a brilliant function with Wing Commander A. H. S. Steele-Perkins as the principal host. The guests included H.E. the General Officer Commanding, Major-General J. W. Sandilands, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., and Commodore R.A.S. Hill, R.N., accompanied by their Staffs, the Commandants and Officers of the King's Own Scottish Borderers and Somerset Light Infantry, and representatives of other Service units.

(Continued from previous Column)

12.45 p.m. on Monday, December 30. The Council meets next on Thursday, January 2, at 2.30 p.m. The attendance yesterday comprised:—
H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.)
H.E. the General Officer Commanding the Troops (Major-General J. W. Sandilands, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.)
The Colonial Secretary (Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G.)
The Attorney-General (Hon. Sir Joseph Kemp, C.B.E., K.C.)
The Secretary for Chinese Affairs (Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E.)
The Colonial Treasurer (Hon. Mr. C. McL. Messer, O.B.E.)
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Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Captain Superintendent of Police)
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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL MEETING**STANDING RULES AND ORDERS AMENDED****PROGRESS OF NEW MILLS**

In addition to the official replies to questions regarding piracy and the local rents problem (as published yesterday in the "China Mail"), the Legislative Council put through considerable business yesterday, the last meeting of the year.

New standing rules and orders were adopted, the set in use hitherto having been long recognised as defective, stated the Attorney-General. The new ones are the result of the Colonial Office Conference in 1927, when it was decided that a draft code should be prepared, which could be adapted to each Colony's special requirements. The Committee appointed by H.E. the Governor to adapt the code for Hong Kong comprised the Attorney-General (the Hon. Sir Joseph Kemp), the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, and the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton.

"An Ordinance" to amend the Printers and Publishers Ordinance, 1927, was read a first time. As explained in the "China Mail" last week, this is aimed to curb the illegal activities of local vernacular "tabloid" newspapers.

Anglican Church
Sir Henry Pollock moved the first reading of a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to incorporate a Body of Trustees capable of holding property for the purposes of the Church of England and to provide for the performance of divine worship according to the rites and ceremonies of the Church of England, and for certain objects ancillary to the aforesaid objects." The details and objects of this non-Government legislature have been fully dealt with already.

In searching around for a new electorate of the Church Body, said Sir Henry yesterday, "a more democratic body of electors than has hitherto existed is to be established." The Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes seconded and the Bill passed its first reading.

Arms and Ammunition
When he moved the second reading of "An Ordinance to amend the Arms and Ammunition Ordinance, 1900," the Attorney-General pointed out that the list of exempted persons (who could carry firearms) is materially restricted by this new legislation. Those exempted now are:—

Persons in the Naval, Military and Air Forces, Volunteers, Police Force, Police Reserve in respect of arms and ammunition used by them in connection with their duties; commissioned officers in the Army, Navy and Air Forces; Consular representatives de carriere; certain public officers whose names are approved by the Governor; any person to whom the Inspector-General of Police shall have issued a written letter of exemption.

Those excluded by the new (amending) Ordinance are:—

Public officers whose names have not been approved by the Governor; Justices of the Peace; Special jurors; members of the Legislative Council; barristers and solicitors; medical practitioners; clergymen of the Church of England, Roman Catholic priests, or any minister of any congregation of Protestant dissenters.

This Bill was read a third time and passed as were:—

An Ordinance to amend further the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903.

An Ordinance to amend further the Companies Ordinance, 1911.

An Ordinance to amend the Crown Lands Resumption Ordinance, 1900.

An Ordinance to amend the Deportation Ordinance, 1917.

An Ordinance to amend the law relating to intoxicating liquors.

Finance Committee

A meeting of the Finance Committee followed, consisting of the Colonial Secretary (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern), chairman, Colonial Treasurer (the Hon. Mr. C. McL. Messer), and all the unofficial members. Sir Henry Pollock asked a question about a matter raised by him at the last Budget debate when it was mentioned that a vote for steam launches would be referred to the Harbour Board. The Harbour Board is meeting on December 27. All the votes, totalling \$140,883, to supplement this year's expenditure were approved without demur.

As it may be necessary to vote other supplementary funds before the present year runs out, the Committee will meet again at 10.15 p.m. on Monday.

QUARRY BAY SCHOOL PRIZE DAY**CHRISTMAS CONCERT BY PUPILS****LIST OF AWARDS**

Yesterday was Prize Day at the Quarry Bay School. The ceremony of distributing the prizes was performed by Mr. E. Ralphs, Director of Education, in the presence of a large gathering of parents of the students and friends.

The proceedings opened with a Christmas concert given by the pupils. The programme was well arranged giving plenty of opportunity to all sections of the school from the Kindergarten to the higher forms. Mr. Ralphs summed up the opinion of the audience in the following sentence: "This entertainment is quite unique, and I have certainly never seen anything like it before."

The programme included five carols—"Here we come a Wassailing," "Christians Awake," "Kind Christmas," "How Far is it to Bethlehem," and "Shepherds have left their Sheep," all of which were prettily sung. Other items included a dance of Golly-wogs and Dutch Dolls, exceedingly well done; a Kindergarten Band in which toy instruments were used—and successfully; a character song "The House that Jack Built"; the Holly and Mistletoe dance; and three more carols "While Shepherds Watched their Flocks," "The First Nowell," and "O, Come All Ye Faithful."

The happy afternoon was brought to a close with the dancing of "Sir Roger."

List of Prize Winners

During a break in the concert the prizes were distributed by Mr. Ralphs as under:—

Class 7.—1st in examination, Neville Booker; Homework, Jean Summers; Progress, Peggy Johnson.

Class 8.—1st in Homework, Maureen Booker; Progress, Rodderick McLeod.

Class 9.—1st, Thomas Tuite; Homework, Betty McIntyre; Progress, Ivy Mitchell.

Class 10.—A special progress prize was given to Joan Goodhouse and a small prize to each of the following: Phlox Stalker, Dorothy Young, Jean Wallace, Primrose Wilson, Malcolm Swan, Margaret Davidson, Aileen Thirwell, William McWalter, Sheila Collinson, Geoffrey Baker.

A Class prize, given each term for punctuality and for not forgetting handkerchiefs, was won by classes 7 and 8.

Royal Drawing Certificates
Division 1.—Honours, Jean Summers, Maureen Booker, Beryl June Booker.

Division 2 (Second class)—Veronica Thirwell, Georgina Cunningham, Rodderick McLeod.

Preparatory Division (Second class)—Jean Summers, Neville Booker, Christine Bore, Martha Fraser, Georgina Cunningham, Veronica Thirwell, Eileen Miller, Ronald Gascogne and Dorothy Young. Scholarship to be held at Central British School for one year, Neville Booker.

As in former years, a feature of Prize Day at the Quarry Bay School was the exhibition of the handiwork of the children. This year's exhibits were greatly admired. They included some clever and artistic raffia work, hand-painted calendars and Christmas cards, knitted woollen baby socks, handkerchief sachets, etc., all made by the children as Christmas presents to their parents.

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To-night's production will be "High Lights," while to-morrow (Saturday) will see "The Whirling" and Sunday "Farewell Fare." As these will be positively the last appearances of the company here prior to their departure for London theatre goers are advised to secure their seats in good time.

The plans are at Moutrie's and the Star Theatre.

TEN YEARS AGO

(From the "China Mail," December 20, 1919.)

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The Bank of Brazil would be transformed into a central bank,

This action is stated to have been taken following the opposition of numerous Chinese public bodies to the appointment of Obata.—Reuter.

(2) Piano. Syncopations, Mr. G. W. True.
(3) (a) "Drink to me only" (R. Gallier), Miss Isabel Wallace
(b) "The Night Nursery" (Arundale), Contralto.
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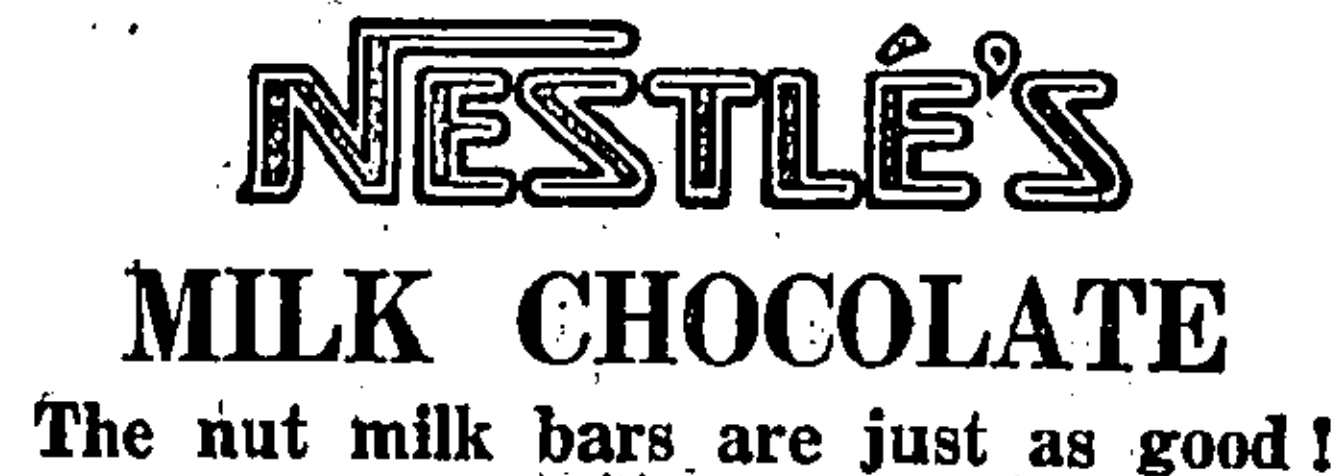
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motion that the publication of banns of marriage in the parish residence of those intending to marry should be dispensed with, as the solemnization of marriage in the parish church of the county would be thereby rendered unnecessary. The committee on the subject of the proposed amendment of the Marriage Act of 1836, have reported in favour of the motion, and the bill will be introduced in the House of Commons in the course of the present session.

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Sport Columns

LOCAL CHAT ON FOOTBALL

THE LAI WAH CUP FINAL

NAVY'S UNEXPECTED REVERSE

Comment on Week's Fixtures

[By "Roamer"]

The Lai Wah Cup Competition has been completed for another season, the "Civilian" by defeating the "Army" now being the holders until it is again competed for. Since last Saturday quite a number of interesting debates have been indulged in by football fans, not with the intention of depriving the winners of any of the glory to which they are entitled by the result, but in the light of football and its uncertain features.

It is the opinion of many that the 1923 Cup Final is a typical example offering critics opportunities to use freely "if," "but," and "might have been," and only a true replica of the game could prove that certain events were not flukes.

By taking the doubtful points at issue let us re-construct the game briefly by recording the score as we proceed, in parenthesis, the first figure representing that of the Civilian.

After fourteen minutes play Bewley-Bull nets, a good goal and not disputed (0-1). Scott's shot which just missed should have found its berth "but" did not (1-1). "If" Gill and Stock had been more on the alert surely one of those accurate centres from the left wing should have been converted (1-2). Goldman's first goal, in off Reeves, is regarded as a fluke, the opinion being that in straight flight Fletcher "might" have saved, scores remain the same. Goldman's second success (or was it Scott's, it being difficult to pick out these two players at times) was fully merited (2-2). Could Wynne have stopped Butcher netting the Army's second? Here pressure by hard work told its tale, and as we are told that perseverance overcomes all things that success is allowed to stand, as the shot itself was a good one (2-3).

We now arrive at the interval with the Army mythically holding the lead. Goldman's third was a beauty (3-3). The Army should have gone further ahead "but" Hudson in returning from his run into the net was in the way quite accidentally (3-4). Goldman's fourth from that breakaway fully deserved to find its berth, it being a good effort (4-4). The Army were pressing for at least the last quarter of an hour but no goals were forthcoming. Time, therefore, finds the score four-all in the opinion of the critics which is their main argument in that extra time should have been necessary, and with the Army continuing to pen the Civilian to their own half "might" have gained the verdict, or failing any further score during the additional twenty minutes, at least left the field with the right to fight the battle over again. Ipso Facto the Civilian won so our friends must be satisfied.

With The Juniors

The K.O.S.B. had a tussle to overcome the improved Eastern side. Scoring chances were missed by both elevens and with Sabhan continually over-running the ball in his speedy raids was energy wasted. With each victory the Scots are setting a formidable task to their colleagues of the League.

South China "A" continued their winning career by defeating Chinese "B" to the extent of three clear goals. The lowly teams of Ewo and R.A.M.C. shared the spoils. Ewo, however, came very near to securing their first win of the season, being robbed with time close at hand by Goodman netting.

South China "B" had a convincing victory over the University to the tune of three without response, but failed with a spot kick, although re-taken. It is evident that the revision of the penalty kick law is not known to all. A goal-keeper

must now stand still on his goal-line and not move until the ball has left the spot and travelled its circumference.

Recreio appear to be making a habit of sharing points with their opponents, last Saturday being the fourth occasion and they now hold the record for the Junior Division.

With a weakened team the Navy were unexpectedly beaten by Chinese "A", following on the heels of five smart victories over the Somersets, Ewo, Kowloon, Recreio and K.O.B.S. Chinese "A" their opponents are going strong having lost only three points in their ten encounters. Kowloon with its gallant Nine fell heavily to St. Joseph's and are dropping in the table while their opponents are in a respectable position in the upper half.

To-morrow's Games

As a further Interport trial has been arranged for to-morrow, the only senior game to be played is on the Stadium Ground at North Point where the Athletic and R.A. are to meet. It is understood that two additional fixtures were to have been brought forward, Police v. Club from December 28 and Navy v. St. Joseph's from March 15 but these together with the Somersets v. South China and Recreio v. Kowloon fixtures for December 21 have now been postponed indefinitely.

Football fans will have the choice of the Stadium or Sookumpoo grounds for to-morrow. It is difficult to anticipate which will be the better game from a spectator's point of view, but with the promise of the Navy fielding a strong side to oppose the Selected XI possibly more thrills will be forthcoming at Sookumpoo as the Athletic should not have much difficulty in bagging both points from the R.A. at the Stadium.

Of the Juniors I predict South China "A's" defence holding the lively front line of St. Joseph's and registering a couple of goals at least, the Somersets easily accounting for R.A.M.C., and the Navy bagging both points from the University, while Kowloon and Eastern should share the spoils, the R.A. to overcome the Club by a small margin and the K.O.S.B. continuing their winning career, but will Ewo secure their first victory of the season by defeating Recreio?

Full programmes and League Tables to date are appended:—

Interport Trial (4 p.m.)

Selected XI v. Navy, Sookumpoo.

Division I (3.45 p.m.)

Chinese Athletic v. R.A., The Stadium, North Point.

Division II (2.30 p.m.)

Club v. R.A., Club Ground, Happy Valley.

St. Joseph's v. South China "A", St. Joseph's Ground, Happy Valley.

Chinese "B" v. K.O.S.B., The Stadium, North Point.

Kowloon v. Eastern, Kowloon F.C. Ground.

Ewo v. Recreio, Chinese Ground, Happy Valley.

R.A.M.C. v. Somersets, Sookumpoo.

Navy v. University, Navy Ground, Happy Valley.

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

Division I

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Somersets	9	7	1	1	19	6	15
K.O.S.B.	11	5	4	2	17	8	14
Athletic	9	5	2	2	17	4	12
Navy	9	5	2	2	18	14	12
South China	8	5	1	2	18	6	11
Kowloon	8	3	2	3	11	8	9
R.A.	9	4	1	4	15	13	9
Recreio	8	2	1	5	9	18	5
Club	8	1	2	5	7	15	4
St. Joseph's	9	0	0	7	8	23	0
Police	9	0	1	8	8	23	1

Division II

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
K.O.S.B.	20	17	0	3	77	15	34
South China "A"	10	9	1	0	39	3	19
Navy	13	8	2	3	40	10	19
Chinese "A"	10	8	1	1	33	12	17
Somersets	15	7	5	3	37	24	17
St. Joseph's	11	5	2	4	30	27	12
Chinese "B"	10	4	2	4	17	18	10
Eastern	10	4	1	5	18	27	9
R.A.	12	3	3	6	19	27	9
Kowloon	11	4	1	6	19	32	9
South China "B"	11	3	1	7	13	34	7
Recreio	10	1	4	5	11	36	6
University	9	2	1	6	10	28	5
R.A.M.C.	13	1	2	10	13	41	4
Club	9	1	2	6	8	38	4
Ewo	10	0	8	7	9	33	3

NAVAL & MILITARY CHARITY MATCH

H.E. the Governor Present

There was a fair number of football enthusiasts present yesterday afternoon when the annual charity match between the Navy and Army was played at Sookumpoo. H.E. the Governor, Sir Cecil Clement, K.C.M.G., was also present, and after he had sent the ball rolling, the two teams went at it hammer and tongs. The Army pressed hard, but the defence put up by the sailors proved too effective.

The ball was then transferred to the Army end, and several shots were sent in, but Fletcher was there to send them off. The Army then went away with the ball, but were again unable to penetrate the defence of the Navy. The sailors then settled down to play sterling football, and Fletcher was sorely tried. The bombardment was getting too fierce and too frequent, and the Navy scored.

The game was keenly contested throughout, and ended in a victory to the sailors by four goals to one. The massed Naval bands played during the afternoon, and the ball which was presented by Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., was raffled after the match. Miss Baskett won it.

The teams were:—
Navy: Jarvis, McGregor and Jones; Pargley, Tilley and Sturdivant; Van Tromp, Firth, Cann, Stephenson and Dickenson.
Army: Fletcher; Oliver and Reeves; Everest, Davey and Joyce; Rayson, Stock, Gill, Bewley-Bull and Butcher.

KOWLOON 2ND XI. v. EASTERN

The following team has been selected to represent Kowloon Second Eleven versus Eastern to-morrow, at Kowloon ground. Kick off at 2.30 p.m. sharp.

Angus (Junior), Guest (or Spriggett), Hant, Hannan, Easterbrook, Dunnett, Eastman, King, Nichols, Conles and Bickford. Reserves: Philpott and Seddon.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

The Club v. H.M.S. "Cornwall"

What should be by far the best Rugby game so far this season takes place at Happy Valley to-morrow afternoon, at 4 o'clock when the return match between H.M.S. "Cornwall" and the Club takes place. The last encounter between the two resulted in a narrow victory for the "Cornwall," but the Club have now a much improved side and are quite likely to avenge their former defeat.

The form of the Club players will be closely watched in view of the Interport team which must be picked within the next few weeks, and also in view of the forthcoming triangular Tournament with the Services. When the Club lost Stanion and Wood it seemed that there was going to be great difficulty in replacing them, but with Bonnar playing again and a great improvement in the play of some others behind the scrum, their places have been adequately filled. The Club's back division is potentially a strong one and should, when the handling improves, develop into a really effective scoring force.

To-morrow the Club will have out what is undoubtedly the best XV they have put in the field this season, and spectators are assured of a really good game.

A charge will be made for admission (members and ladies free). The kick-off is at 4 p.m. and the Club XV is as under:—

R. J. Grieve; G. P. Lammert, G. A. L. Plummer, M. D. Scott, L. Goldman; I. A. Ross, and J. L. Bonnar, F. R. Burch, A. D. Suttill, D. L. Milne-Bay, R. Riddell, E. R. West, W. E. Peers, J. A. E. Kendrew, and B. P. Massey (Captain).

Referee:—H. L. F. Ewin.

BILLIARDS

Prison Department v. St. Patrick's Club

In a billiards match played between the Prison Dept. and St. Patrick's Club, the Prison Dept. won by 111 points. The best break of the evening was made by Mr. Gowlan, who ran out with 33 unfinished.

Brimblecombe	141	M. Baptista	150
Pile	138	L. E. Remedios	150
Jillott	150	Falmer	112
Gowlan	150	Finch	90
S. Hodge	150	Medina	115
E. Franks	149	Nuttall	150

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS

UNDECIDED ENGLISH CUP TIE

NINE GOALS SCORED

The second round proper of the Football Association Cup has been completed with the last of the three ties left drawn last Saturday decided yesterday.

Rotherham and Scunthorpe met again, says Reuter, and nine goals were scored. Rotherham won by the odd one and thereby qualified to receive Notts Forest in the third round on January 11. The draw for the third round therefore reads:—

Rotherham v. Notts Forest.
Charlton v. Queen's Park Rangers.
Chesterfield v. Middlesbrough.
Wrexham v. West Bromwich Albion.
Birmingham v. Bolton (holders).
Corinthians v. Millwall.
Coventry v. Sunderland.
Arsenal v. Chelsea.
West Ham v. Notts County.
Tottenham Hotspur v. Manchester City.

Sheffield Wednesday v. Burnley.
Derby v. Bristol City.
Walsall v. Swansea.

Fulham v. Bournemouth.
Brighton v. Grimsby.
Blackburn v. Northampton.
Aston Villa v. Reading.
Barnsley v. Southampton.

Bury v. Huddersfield.
Leeds v. Crystal Palace.
Liverpool v. Cardiff.

Blackpool v. Stockport.
Portsmouth v. Preston North End.
Clapton Orient v. Bristol Rovers.
Manchester United v. Swindon.

Barnsley v. Bradford.
Newcastle v. York.
Doncaster v. Stoke.

Sheffield United v. Leicester.
Plymouth v. Hull.
Carlisle v. Everton.

Oldham v. Wolverhampton.

A League Match

Playing yesterday in Division III (Northern section) Halifax defeated Wrexham by two goals, to nil, at Halifax, Reuter adds.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Port Vale	13	14	3	1	43	24	31
Derby	13	11	2	5	45	28	24
Stockport	15	10	3	2	44	18	23
Accrington	17	8	4	5	38	20	20
Crawley	18	9	2	5	37	24	20
Carlisle	17	9	1	7	44	40	19
Rochdale	15	8	3	4	37	32	19
S. Shields	17	7	5	5	25	20	19
Newton	18	8	2	8	27	30	18
Lincoln	17	4	9	4	24	23	17
Southport	17	6	6	5	38	32	17
Tranmere	17	6	4	7	35	32	16
Wigan	17	7	2	8	33	32	16
Chesterfield	18	8	3	7	27	25	15
York	15	3	3	9	21	23	15
Harlepool	15	6	5	4	24	25	14
Rotherham	16	4	8	22	39	12	13
Doncaster	18	5	2	11	21	34	12
Wrexham	18	3	6	9	27	38	12
N. Brighton	17	5	1	11	19	46	11
Halifax	19	3	5	11	21	33	11
Barrow	16	4	1	11	13	40	9

CRICKET

The following will represent the Royal Navy in a Division I League match against the Indian R.C. at Sookumpoo, commencing at 2 p.m. to-morrow—Commander F. C. Baker, Eng. Lieut. C. R. P. Bennett, Squadron Leader C. Bompfery, Lieutenant C. Cobb, Stoker T. Cross, Sub-Lieut. C. L. L. Glass, Able Seaman S. N. Laslett, Sub-Lieut. P. C. O. Moseley, Commander E. G. Stanley, Lieutenant J. M. R. Stephenson and Lieutenant F. P. Wright.

The following will represent the Recreio in their League match against the Royal Artillery to-morrow on the Recreio ground, King's Park—L. J. Gutierrez, H. A. Alves, H. M. Xavier, D. P. Xavier, J. E. Nronha, A. P. Pereira, C. M. Sousa, G. Gutierrez, J. H. Figueiredo, M. F. Pinna and F. H. Carvalho.

The following will present the University XI in a friendly match against the Kowloon C.C. to-morrow at 2 p.m. sharp on the K.C.C. ground—C. W. Lam (Captain), S. V. Gittins, D. K. Samy, L. T. Ride, A. P. Gutierrez, E. A. Lee, D. J. N. Anderson, A. Baker, A. M. Rodriguez, and S. R. Korman.

HOCKEY

The following will represent Club de Recreio in a hockey match against the Hong Kong Club "A" team at King's Park to-day at 5 p.m. sharp—C. Barros, E. P. Souza, H. J. Noronha, F. V. Ribeiro, F. M. Silva, F. Barros, F. J. Remedios, A. M. Xavier, J. de Figueiredo, H. A. Noronha, and J. A. de V. Soares.

GOLF

Starting Times For Sunday.

Starting times for Sunday at Fanning are as under:—
9.04 a.m.—Captain Riggs and P. Morrison.
9.12 a.m.—to 9.20 a.m.—Reserved.
9.24 a.m.—Final of Club Championship.

9.28 a.m.—A. O. Brawn and C. W. Joffries.
9.32 a.m.—S. T. Butlin and G. B. S. Thomson.
9.36 a.m.—N. S. Ellis and H. H. Benson.
9.40 a.m.—R. P. Moodle and C. J. D. Law.

9.44 a.m.—A. F. Judd and R. W. Taplin.
9.48 a.m.—W. A. Butterfield and L. C. S. Dowdell.
9.52 a.m.—A. Ritchie and R. Young.
9.56 a.m.—W. A. Staley and C. M. Roberts.

10.00 a.m.—A. E. Leesman and J. M. Norrie.
10.04 a.m.—V. J. Atkins and J. Keogh.
10.08 a.m.—C. B. Robertson and C. E. Moore.

10.12 a.m.—H. U. Ireland and A. D. Humphreys.
10.16 a.m.—E. D. Lawrence and L. R. Andrews.

10.20 a.m.—A. Flery and O. Eager.
10.24 a.m.—S. S. Perry and W. G. Lorrimer.
10.28 a.m.—J. S. Drummond and J. C. Kyle.

10.32 a.m.—F. M. Ellis and E. S. Abraham.
10.36 a.m.—J. H. Raikes and E. D. Black.

10.40 a.m.—R. A. Green and N. H. Proctor.
10.44 a.m.—E. des Voeux and A. B. Purves.

10.48 a.m.—J. MacKnight and T. C. Monaghan.
10.52 a.m.—L. H. Ruffin and I. H. Geare.

10.56 a.m.—B. J. Lacon and J. Coulthart.
11.00 a.m.—G. E. Ellams and C. B. Brown.

11.04 a.m.—C. Mycock and S. O. Berr.
11.08 a.m.—I. A. Ross and C. C. Roberts.

11.12 a.m.—V. M. Grayburn and E. Grimble.
11.16 a.m.—M. H. Turner and C. Black.

11.20 a.m.—O. D. Brown and W. D. Harris.

11.24 a.m.—A. H. Penn and J. R. Collis.
11.28 a.m.—J. W. Alabaster and Capt. Ashby.

11.32 a.m.—J. Forbes and D. S. Robb.
11.36 a.m.—M. B. Matthews and W. J. Clerk.

U.S. FIRM'S CRASH

Receiver Appointed For Engineering Corp.

New York, Yesterday. On the petition of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation the Federal Judge appointed Receiver for the International Engineering Corporation, one of the leading power generating equipment concerns in the world. Before the crash the Corporations stock sold at \$103. To-day it is \$6. The corporation is a holding company for nearly 40 subsidiaries. The failure had a distinctly bearish effect on the market—Reuter's American Service.

BERLIN RIOTS

More Angry Scenes By Unemployed

Berlin, Yesterday. A number of unemployed attempted to storm the Town Hall while the new City Council were holding their first meeting. Demonstrators stoned the Police, who charged and dispersed them. Several arrests were made. It is believed that many demonstrators were injured, but all were carried off by their comrades—Reuter.

A special department of the Conservative party to organise and conduct research into the political aspect of modern industrial, Imperial, and social problems is to be set up by Mr. Baldwin. Mr. Neville Chamberlain is to take an active part in the work of the department after he returns from South Africa.

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VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS

ORDERS FOR THE ENSUING WEEK

CAMP PAY READY

Orders by Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Commandant, state:—

Camp Pay

All ranks of all units except No. 6 Platoon will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday for issue of Camp pay. No. 6 Platoon will parade as directed by O/C Scottish Co. Cheques and pay lists have been issued to O/C. Units who are responsible that all ranks sign the pay lists.

Tactical Exercise

A field firing tactical exercise will be held at Fanling on Sunday January 19 (not on January 18 as previously discussed) in which the following units will take part. M.G. Troop, A.C. Co., M.G. Co., Scottish Co. Attendance to count as 2 parades or as 1 day in Camp.

Casuals

Table T. Machine Gun Part II.—All casuals in the above course will fire at Stonecutters on Sunday, January 19. Range Officers 2nd Lieut. A. Hutton Potts and 2nd Lieut. J. F. Wright. Dress—Musketry order, uniform or multi. Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and Kowloon Police Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Table T. Rifle Part II.—All casuals in the above course will fire at Stonecutters on Sunday, January 19. Range Officer Captain R. R. Davies. Dress—Musketry order, uniform or multi. Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and Kowloon Police Pier at 9.10 a.m.

All ranks who are casuals in either or both of the above mentioned courses are reminded that the firing of either or both of these

courses, where applicable, is one of the obligation of a Volunteer.

The Battery

December 20 to 22 Practice Camp at Tai Lam as previously notified. Transport will leave Kowloon Ferry to-day at 5.45 p.m. Dress—Tunic, shorts, greatcoats, helmet, puttees (tapes at the bottom) and bandolier.

Engineer Company

All members are advised that the Engineer Co. camp will be held at Lyeemun from Friday night, January 10 to Sunday night, January 12. Two nights in camp are necessary for efficiency and all members are requested to send in their names to O.C. Co. stating what period they are attending camp, as soon as possible.

There will be no parade on December 25.

Corps Signals

There will be no further parades until Monday, January 6.

Armoured Car Company

Car Section.—Parade at Headquarters to-day at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction.

Motor Cycle Section

Parade at Headquarters to-day at 5.30 p.m. for instructional ride.

Parades

No parades will be held at Headquarters from Tuesday to Thursday, January 2.

Machine Gun Company

There will be no further parades till Tuesday, January 7. Details later.

Scottish Company

Next parade will be held on Thursday, January 9. M.G. Instruction.

No. 6 Platoon at Kowloon Dock under Lieut. G. Duncan M.B.E.

No. 7 Platoon at Headquarters under Lieut. H. R. Forsyth.

As from January 1 No. 5 (Taikoo) Platoon, owing to lack of members, will cease to exist as a platoon, and present members will be absorbed by and become part of No. 7 Platoon. Until sufficient members warrant instruction being given at the Dockyard, training will be carried out at Headquarters.

Portuguese Company
Company Commanders Parade.—The Company is expected to parade at Headquarters on Friday, January 3 at 5.30 p.m. as strong as possible. Dress—Optional, Rifle and Bayonet, Belt and Pouches.

A circular re-combined Naval and Military operation on January 15 in which the Company have been invited to participate by H.E. The G. O. C. Commanding The British Troop in China will be issued to all ranks early next week.

Musketry Badges
Table T. Part II Rifle.—No. 21 L/Sgt. J. C. Goodman with score of 107 has been awarded the badge Crown and Crossed Rifles in Wreath as the best shot of Sergeants and Lance Sergeants.

No. 599 Pte. K. C. McLennan with score of 106 has been awarded the badge Star and Crossed Rifles in Wreath as the best shot of Corporals and Privates.

Transfer
Cpl. Greig W. to be transferred from No. 6 Platoon to Reserve Company, Scottish Section, as from 19.11.29.

No. 294 Pte. McKelvie, J. to be transferred from No. 6 Platoon to Reserve Company, Scottish Section, as from 5.12.29.

Resignation
The following are permitted to resign from the Corps.
No. 694 Pte. D. Ogilvie, M.G. Troop, from 7.11.29 (on medical ground).

No. 1457 Pte. R. W. D. Danby, No. 4 Platoon, from 15.11.29.

Leave
No. 1215 Pte. A. M. da Luz, No. 12 Platoon, from 6.11.29 to 5.1.1930 (sick leave).

No. 411 C. S. M. Lee Jones, R. W. having returned from leave and re-joined for duty, the unexpired portion of his leave is cancelled.

Promotion
The following will take effect from date.
No. 1426 L/Sgt. F. Baker, Headquarters, to be Sergeant.

No. 322 Drmr. R. B. Bell, No. 5 Platoon, to be L/Cpl.

No. 1314 Pte. A. Chapman, No. 5 Platoon, to be L/Cpl.

(Sgd.) R. A. Wolffe-Murray, Major Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

While the conditions in certain cases might be much better than had been represented he would like to invite special attention to the general conditions, and earnestly urged girls intending to go abroad to engagements of this kind to inform themselves as fully as possible of the condition under which they would have to work.

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OFFICIAL AMAZED AT FOREIGNERS

"RIDICULOUS TO THINK OF RE-LEASING SHANGHAI"

"NOT SERIOUS"

Nanking, Yesterday.

The attention of a high official of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs was called to the plan of Mr. Morrison, published in the "China Press," Shanghai, on December 8, with reference to the proposal for the re-leasing of Shanghai. The said official was "amazed" to find there still were certain foreigners in China who were unable to see the general trend of Nationalist China.

Sovereign Rights

It was remarked by the Foreign Office spokesman, "The Chinese people and Government now more than ever are exerting their best effort in regaining Chinese sovereign rights and are on the road to re-occupation of concessions, settlements and leased territories.

It is more than ridiculous for any body even to think of creating another leasehold on one of the most important ports in China. It is believed that even foreigners are not taking this proposition in any serious way." He deplored that sort of proposition should be at all publicly circulated. — Canton News Agency.

LURE OF ASIA

Pitfalls For Girls In The East

As was shortly indicated in an occasional note recently, word of warning to girls contemplating the acceptance of theatrical engagements in the Far East as dancers has been issued by the Australian Minister for Home Affairs (Mr. A. Blakeley), who emphasised the pitfalls to which artists were likely to be subjected.

The following message from Canberra (dated Nov. 3), from an Australian paper, gives fuller information on the subject:—

The Minister for Home Affairs stated that reports had been brought to his notice that the engagement in Australia or New Zealand of a troupe of girls to appear as dancers in a certain city in the Far East was contemplated.

As a consequence he had been looking into the passport facilities, which came within the scope of his department, and he had been going through a number of official reports on this subject.

He thought it most necessary that any person contemplating an engagement as a dancer or a vaudeville artist in centres in the Far East should be made aware of the difficulty and the temptations to which they were likely to be exposed.

The position of British artists who contracted to appear as dancers or in vaudeville turns in any but the most reputable theatres in the East was likely, at times, to be most undignified in relation to native audiences.

British residents felt keenly the necessity for avoiding anything which would lower the dignity and prestige of British white people in the eyes of the natives.

From the reports in his department it would appear, said Mr. Blakeley, that in some cases white dancers had appeared in side shows of carnivals performing on small stages before small audiences.

While the actual work of the dancers might be in accordance with their professions, the tawdriness of the enclosure and the type of persons in the audience, often mere curiosity seekers from the country, made the occupations most undignified.

Frequently, in these Eastern places, he was informed, the owners of the side-shows made the dancers exhibit themselves on platforms outside the side shows, designed to draw the multitude. This course was rendered especially undignified owing to the nature of the surroundings.

While the conditions in certain cases might be much better than had been represented he would like to invite special attention to the general conditions, and earnestly urged girls intending to go abroad to engagements of this kind to inform themselves as fully as possible of the condition under which they would have to work.

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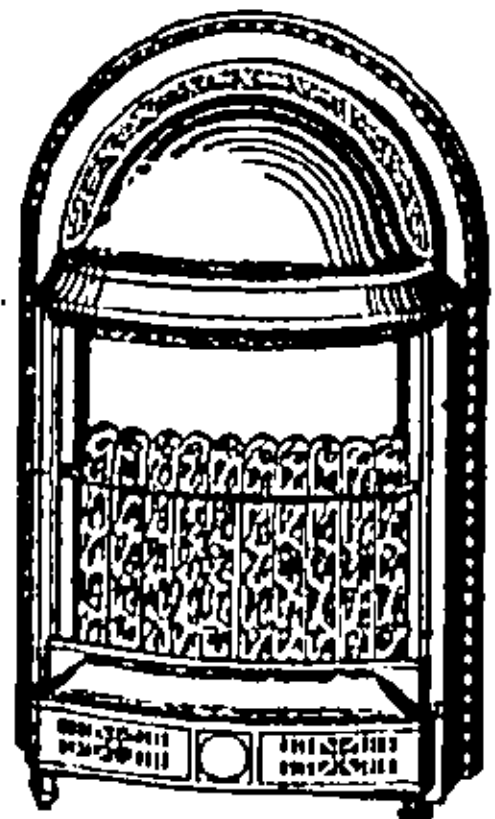
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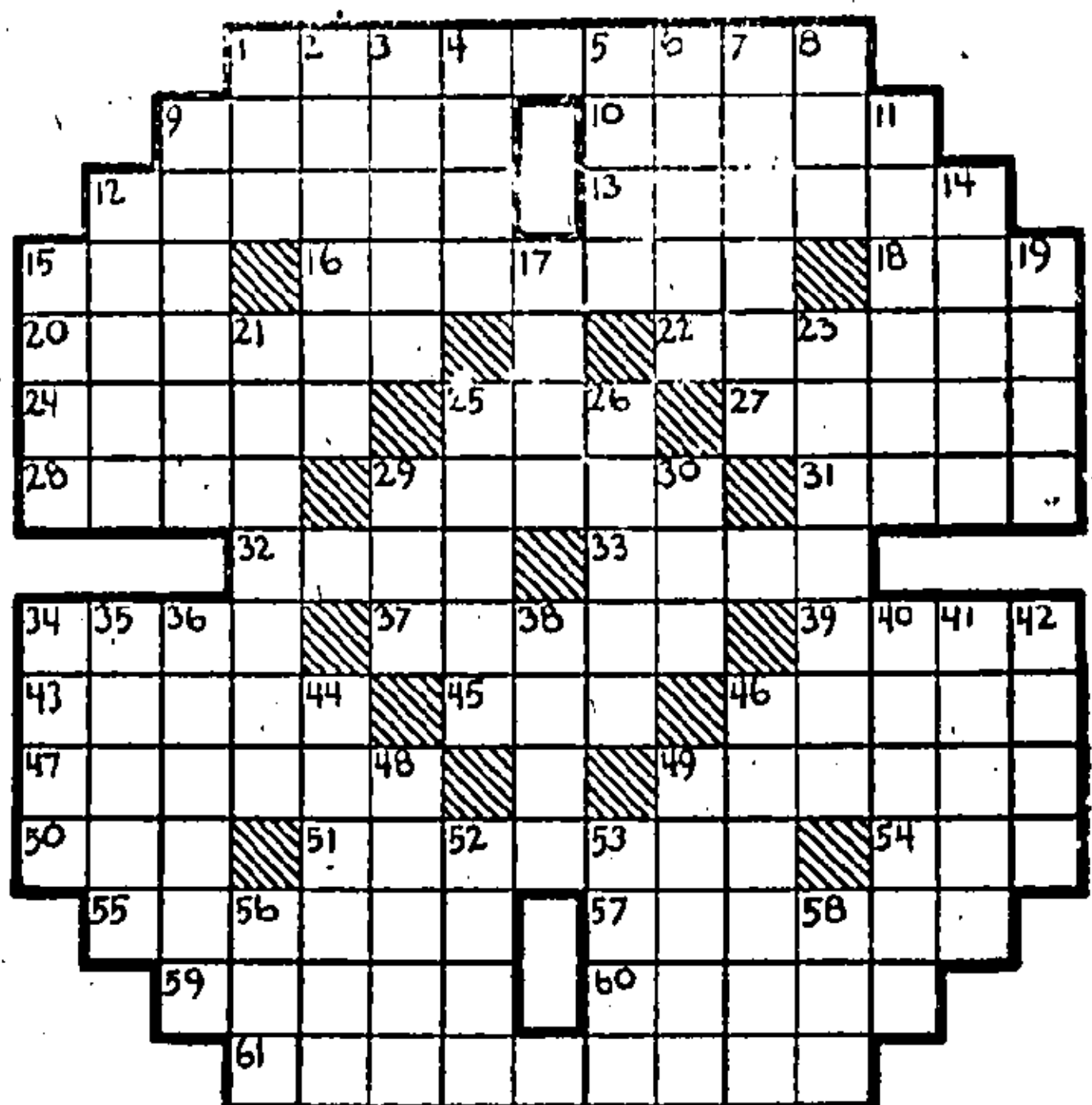
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, glow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL
1-Private vessel licensed to seize enemy ships
9-Chief
10-Derived from oil
12-Lobe of the ear
13-Widely
15-Over (Post)
16-Creek letter
18-Three (Italian)
20-Apparent
22-More soaked
23-Declares
25-Summit
27-Glenn
28-Feminine name
29-Pertaining to the sun
31-Nuisance
32-Action at law
33-Falsely
34-French for "father"
37-Reduced
39-Suspense
43-Decline
45-Boy
46-Rite against authority
47-Increase burner

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
48-Narrow Mexican blanket
50-Refuge
51-Containers made of plaited flexible material
54-Incense
55-Cutting into two parts
57-More concealed
58-The same
60-Terminated
61-Was cast down in spirits
VERTICAL
1-Pulp of fruit
2-Matures
3-Not suitable
4-Footer soldiers (abbr.)
5-Wild duck
6-Joint
7-Merited
8-River (Spanish)
9-Animal akin to weasel
11-Cows
12-Depart
14-Suffers (Scotch)

VERTICAL (Cont.)
15-Gem
17-Image
19-Formerly
21-Implement for rubbing out marks
23-Drawer of liquor
25-The whole
26-Lost color
28-Taste
30-Small fess
32-Small South American rodent
33-Wide-mouthed water jugs
35-Placed in order
38-Intense physical suffering
40-Subsided
41-One afflicted with serious skin disease
42-Ball of yarn
44-Argue
46-Dwell
48-Raves
49-Be firm
52-Repulse
53-Level
55-Chief (Spanish)
58-Boy's familiar name

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn will give you a clue to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.
(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

WOMAN SHOT DEAD

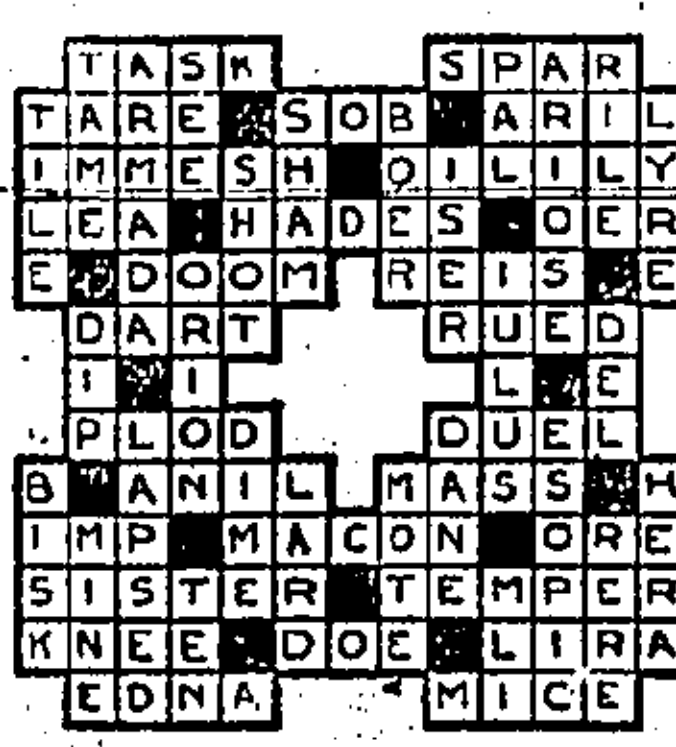
Prohibition Agent's Duel On A Car

Herington (Kansas).—Mrs. Horton, an attractive woman of thirty-five, who was suspected of rum-running, was shot dead as she and a companion were attempting to escape in a motor-car laden with whisky.

The Sheriff and his men had been waiting for the car by a lonely house on the outskirts of the city, and when it arrived ordered it to halt. The driver accelerated, but the Sheriff jumped on to the running-board. Mrs. Horton whipped out a revolver and poked it into the Sheriff's ribs, ordering him to jump or be shot. By this time the car was travelling at a great speed and was being pursued by police cars and private motorists.

The woman, however, was not anxious to carry out her threat, and so the Sheriff was carried on to the public library, when she gave him another warning. The Sheriff, however, shot. Flung the woman, and then pointing the revolver at the driver, said: "You are next." The driver stopped and was immediately arrested.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



STANDARD TIMES

Sunrise and Sunset In Colony

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for December (Standard time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich), are as follow:—

December	Sunrise a.m.	Sunset p.m.
20	6.55	5.48
21	6.53	5.44
22	6.50	5.44
23	6.50	5.45
24	7.00	5.45
25	7.00	5.48
26	7.01	5.48
27	7.01	5.47
28	7.02	5.48
29	7.02	5.48
30	7.03	5.49
31	7.03	5.49

Behind the Scenes in Hollywood

UP FROM NOWHERE

(By Dorothy Herzog)
Two years ago, a couple of song writing lads pooled \$250 and opened up for business in Tin Pan Alley. Last month, Famous Players purchased their music publishing firm for \$125,000 cash. In addition, the boys retain a healthy ten per cent. interest in the profits. Said boys being Sam Coslow and Larry Spier. Coslow was also given a five-year Famous contract. So it looks like three squares for him.

Sam Coslow is twenty-six. At the time he and Spier started musical shop, they collaborated on a song called "Was it a Dream." They plugged it. A large publishing house, however, recognized rich possibilities in the song and purchased it for \$50,000. That put the boys on their feet. That and more successes. They've kept their financial balance ever since.

It was Coslow who wrote supplementary music to the original Rudolph Frim Melodies in Famous' two million dollar all colour production of "The Vagabond King." His "If I Were a King" melody runs throughout the vocaloid and is possibly one reason for the five-year contract.

MARY PHILBIN

The long engagement of Mary Philbin and Paul Kohner, Universal exec., has come to an abrupt and perhaps unexpected end. It was only a few weeks ago that Kohner returned from an extended business sojourn in Germany. But the engagement had survived absence. Survived, to all appearances. Until—

Paul arrived at Mary's home one eve to be told she was out with friends. Love is funny. So Kohner stuck around to see for himself, and, according to the yarn relayed to this bureau, saw Miss Philbin return accompanied by "Big Boy" Williams.

Came the inevitable show-down. That being a strictly two-some affair, I can only report that Mary admitted she didn't feel so enthusiastic about her engagement, that, to Paul, apparently made it mutual. Mary returned his ring. Finale.

EASTWARD HO!

Janet MacDonald is headed East. Purpose, to attend to business matters. When Miss MacDonald trailed to Hollywood to leading woman opposite Maurice Chevalier in "The Love Parade," she expected to stay for only the one picture. She was kept for the Dennis King operetta, "Vagabond King." She was then assigned to co-star with James Hall in "Let's Go Native." But 'twill be a ill' while ere this reeler goes into production, so Miss MacDonald bee-lined out of town on the double quick before minds could change. Hall Skelly got as far as New York on a two weeks' leave of absence, only to receive a wire that same day ordering him home for re-takes!

CLAUDE KINGS

The Claude Kings put one over when they very agreeably and with nary a news-line filed divorce papers. They continue to be excellent friends. They dine together frequently and go places but they are keeping separate roofs. Mr. King has taken a test for the role of the colonel in "Journey's End." Mrs. King recently finished a local stage engagement.

Noted Opera Star To Wed Prince



Mary McCormick, noted opera star, who is set to marry Prince Polignac, was seen at the wedding of the Prince and Princess of Monaco. Although admitting the marriage, Miss McCormick is reported to have denied that she had been the Prince's mistress for some time before the marriage took place.

CHARLES ROGERS

Career Of Paramount Star

Charles Rogers was born in Olathe, Kansas, early in the twentieth century. He attended the local schools and the University of Kansas where he studied for three years. He was one of the fortunate applicants to the Paramount School of acting and after a preliminary groundwork in the mechanics of acting and make-up, Rogers, with fifteen other youngsters was cast in a picture titled "Fascinating Youth."

So well did he shape up in this production that Paramount signed him to a long term contract giving him featured roles in such pictures as "Wings," in which he contributed an outstanding performance, "Get Your Man" and "Red Hair," the latter two productions opposite Clara Bow. In addition the Paramount company loaned him to Mary Pickford for a leading role in her picture, "My Best Girl."

Returning to Paramount he was assigned a featured role in Anne Nichols' "Able's Irish Rose." As a result of his performance he was awarded a starring contract with Paramount. Rogers' recent pictures include "Varsity," "Someone to Love" and "Close Harmony."

Charles Rogers is 6 feet tall, weighs 175 pounds and has black hair and brown eyes.

MAKING GOOD

When John Rizzo was a University of California student he suffered an accident that deprived him of the use of his left arm for life. He studied law, but he hankered for a histrionic career. So in due course to New York he debuted on the stage via musical comedies. Recently he hit to Hollywood to sample the cinema. And it was his unfortunate left arm that got him his fortunate chance.

Director John Cromwell selected Rizzo to play the role of Tony, a newsboy and the pivotal character in William Powell's initial starring vehicle. Cromwell had taken tests of sundry Italian youths before deciding on Rizzo. Johnny's arm, plus his ability, landed him the part and flugging from the favourable comments on the lot Cromwell's choice was a happy one.

DOUG, JUN.

Speaking of Universal, there's a report circulating that Directors Lewis Milestone and George Kukor are anxious to sign Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., to play the lead. Corking good part, whoever gets it. A few names have been added to the cast, including Ben Alexander, Philip Holmes, and Billy Bakewell. Ben Alexander is an ex-boy star making good in his adolescence without the courtesy of Hartschaft and Marx.

CLARA BOW

Clara Bow and Harry Richman suddenly came to the end of Harmony Lane a few weeks ago. Their quarrel, whatever it may have concerned, did not become Colony property. Chiefly because Clara stayed to hum and Richman was busy on his picture. But quarrel they did. Only to make it up 'tother eve. This matrimonial sheet, however, advises heavy odds against the marriage of these two. Subject to change without apology.

A NEW ROMANCE

This bureau announces a new romance. Party of the first part: Barbara Kent, youthful ingenue who heroined for Harold Lloyd in "Welcome Danger"; party of the second part: Paul Feyos, the director.

It looks powerfully serious. Miss Kent is a frequent visitor on Feyos' "Marselles" set at Universal. And they have that much to discuss. Yes, it looks serious. Miss Kent would be a newcomer in matrimony. I believe Feyos was married before.

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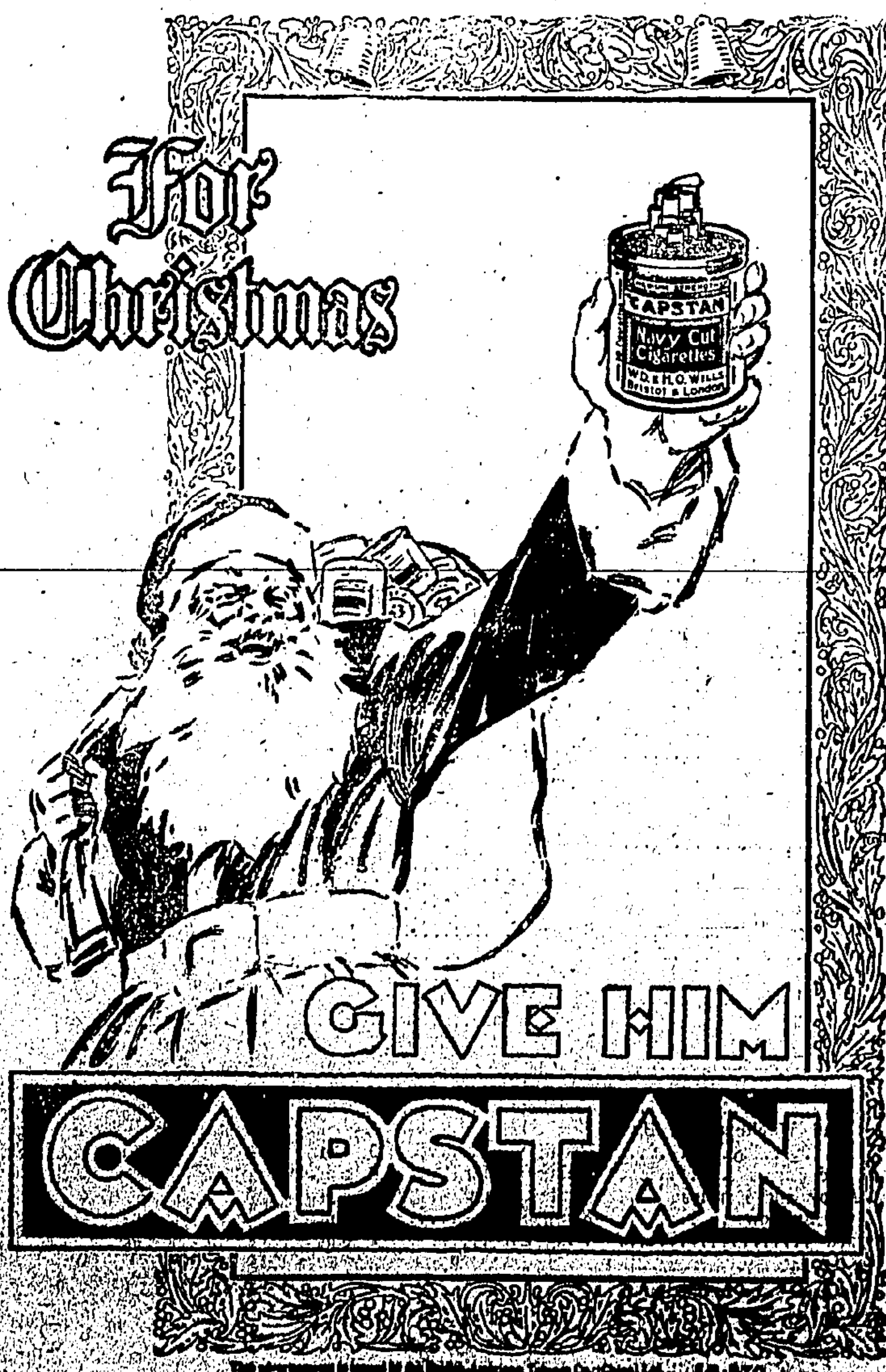
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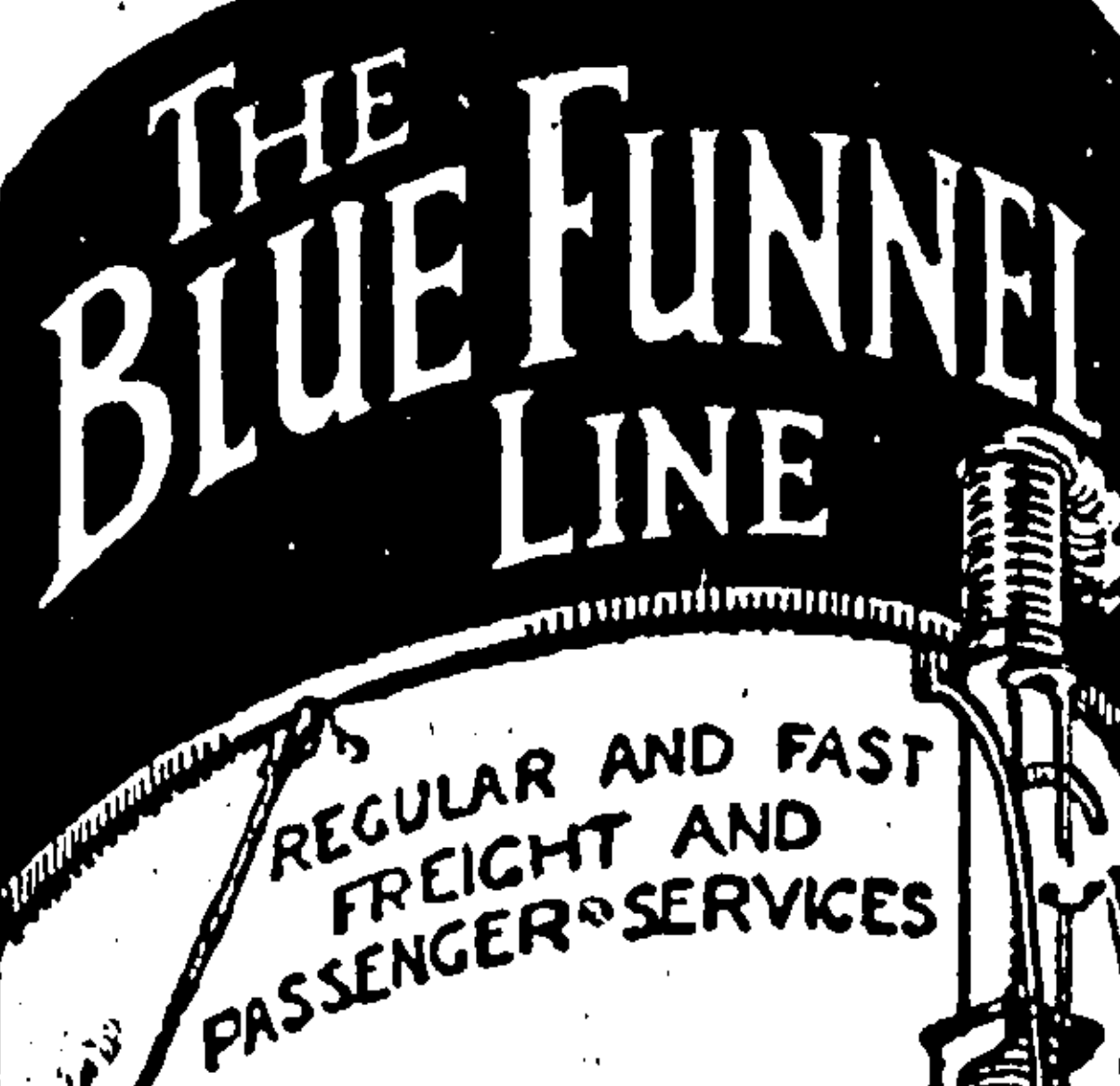
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From	Per	Day
Europe via Suez (Letters & Papers, London, Nov. 21 and Parcels, Nov. 14)	Khiva	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20.
Shanghai and Swatow	Sunning	SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21.
Straits	Hakusan Maru	SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22.
Manila	President Cleveland	MONDAY, DECEMBER 23.
Japan	Manila Maru	TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24.
Japan	Tango Maru	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27.
Straits	Mirzapore	
Japan and Shanghai	Suwa Maru	

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Day
Manila	Chingse Prince	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20. 4.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Malwa	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20. 4.30 p.m.
Parcels	Dec. 20, 4.30 p.m.	
Registration	Dec. 21, 9 a.m.	
Letters	Dec. 21, 10 a.m.	
Calcutta via Straits	Mausang	SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21. 8.30 a.m.
Java via Batavia	Tjondari	SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21. 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Khiva	SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21. 10 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21. 2 p.m.
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Amoy	Kanchow	SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22. 8.30 a.m.
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Port Said	Wing On	SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22. 2 p.m.

MANSLAUGHTER OF A WOMAN ALLEGED

POLICE SERGEANT AGAIN FACES SERIOUS CHARGES.

"GRIEVOUS BODILY HARM"

Shantung Police Sergeant Pi Shih-hsu, charged on two counts of (1) manslaughter of a Chinese woman whom he was alleged to have kicked in the stomach; and (2) causing her grievous bodily harm, made a fourth appearance at the Central Magistracy this morning, when Mr. E. W. Hamilton fixed hearing of the case for 2.15 p.m., on Monday.

Mr. L. R. Andrews, Assistant Crown Solicitor, was for the prosecution whilst the accused was represented by Mr. F. C. E. Rendall.

Grievous Harm

Replying to the Magistrate, Mr. Andrews said that he proposed to withdraw the manslaughter charge and proceed only with the one of grievous bodily harm. He explained that he had a communication from the doctor to the effect that as the result of the post mortem examination of the woman it was found that death was due to pneumonia, and there was no reason to say that she had died of the effects of injury, if any.

Mr. Hamilton then suggested taking the case summarily, and both Mr. Andrews and Mr. Rendall agreed.

Mr. Andrews then applied for the woman's dying deposition, but Mr. Rendall objected, pointing out that it was supposed to be sealed until brought into Court.

Mr. Hamilton: Sealed and locked in the Magistrate's safe. On what authority are you applying for its production, Mr. Andrews?

Mr. Andrews: On the authority of practice. It is usual for us to have it to produce as evidence.

The Depositions

His Worship said that as the depositions were to be produced as evidence he did not see why Mr. Andrews should not have it, at the same time if this allowance was going to be made to Mr. Andrews it should be extended to Mr. Rendall also.

Mr. Andrews: Mr. Rendall was present at the taking of the depositions.

The Magistrate decided to allow both parties to take copies of the depositions.

Accused was remanded on the same bail of \$250 cash and two sureties of \$50 each.

Wheat prices have dropped as the result of the glut of imports from the Argentine. This, it is hoped, will lead to a further reduction in the price of bread.

DEATHROLL OF RIOTS IN NIGERIA

WAR CANOES AND LOOTERS DISPERSED BY TROOPS

MANY CASUALTIES

London, Yesterday.

Further details of the Nigerian riots received in London give the death roll at Opobo. Twenty troops of the West African Frontier Force arrived in town just in time to prevent the mob from looting warehouses and the railway station. The rioters endeavoured to snatch rifles from the soldiers, who were finally ordered to fire. The mob then dispersed, leaving many casualties.

The number of wounded is not yet known, but apparently there

	Degrees
Temperature, 10 a.m., to-day	55
Temperature, 4 p.m., yesterday	70
Humidity, 10 a.m., to-day	71
Humidity, 4 p.m., yesterday	88

were no casualties among the troops. Order is now restored.

The administrative authorities, who conducted an enquiry, believe that the decision of the officer in ordering the troops to fire was the only possible course in the circumstances. Factories have now reopened and the troops withdrawn, police being in control. The authorities do not think there will be a recurrence of the rioting.

Chief Released

There were a large number of war canoes lying in the river in which the rioters evidently intended to carry off the loot. After driving off the canoes and dispersing the mob, the troops went to the native quarter and released the Chieftain Mark Repple Jaja, who had been seized by the rioters. Jaja is a member of the Nigerian legislative Council.—Reuter.

FRESH AND FINE

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states: The northern portion of the anti-cyclone is moving eastward, leaving a separate anti-cyclone central over N. China. Depressions are shown to the Loochoos and to the south of Guam.

Fresh monsoon prevails along the S. E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea. Forecast:—Northerly winds; fresh; fine.

ACCUSED'S \$2,000 BAIL ESTREATED

CHARGE OF EMBEZZLING FIRM'S MONEY

TOOK BOAT TO CANTON?

At the Central Magistracy this morning a case was mentioned in which a Chinese named Chan Hang-po, alias Chan Cheong, described as the manager of the King Fook Wo firm, of 66, Bonham Strand East, is charged on three counts of embezzlement of three sums of money which he had collected on behalf of the firm.

The dates of the offences and the amounts involved are as under:—

April 30	\$2,400.00
May 27	\$3,600.00
June 10	\$229.83

All the money was alleged to have been received by the accused from the Fook Fu firm.

The complainant in the case was a Chinese woman named Chan Ching-shi, a partner of the King Fook Wo firm, and she was represented in Court by Mr. E. S. C. Brooks.

Accused Absent

When the case was called the accused did not appear.

Mr. Brooks explained that he had been released on bail of \$2,000 yesterday and warned to attend Court at 9 o'clock to-day. In view of the accused's absence Mr. Brooks asked that his bail of \$2,000 be estreated.

His Worship decided to let the case stand down until after he had dealt with small cases on his list.

At 10.20 a.m., the accused's name was again called and he was still absent. Accordingly, Mr. Hamilton ordered the accused's bail to be estreated and issued a new warrant for the man's arrest, remarking "it is possible he went to Canton by the night boat."

The Defalcations

Mr. Brooks: Yes, that is very probable.

Then Mr. Brooks made an application for the return of the King Fook Wo firm's books which have been turned over to the Police for the purpose of the case. He explained that the books were required to try to trace further defalcations by the accused.

The Magistrate directed that the application be made to the Police, as he was not concerned with the books.

Captain the Hon. Richard Bethell, only son and heir of Lord Westbury, was found dead in his bed-room at the Bath Club, Dover-street.

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